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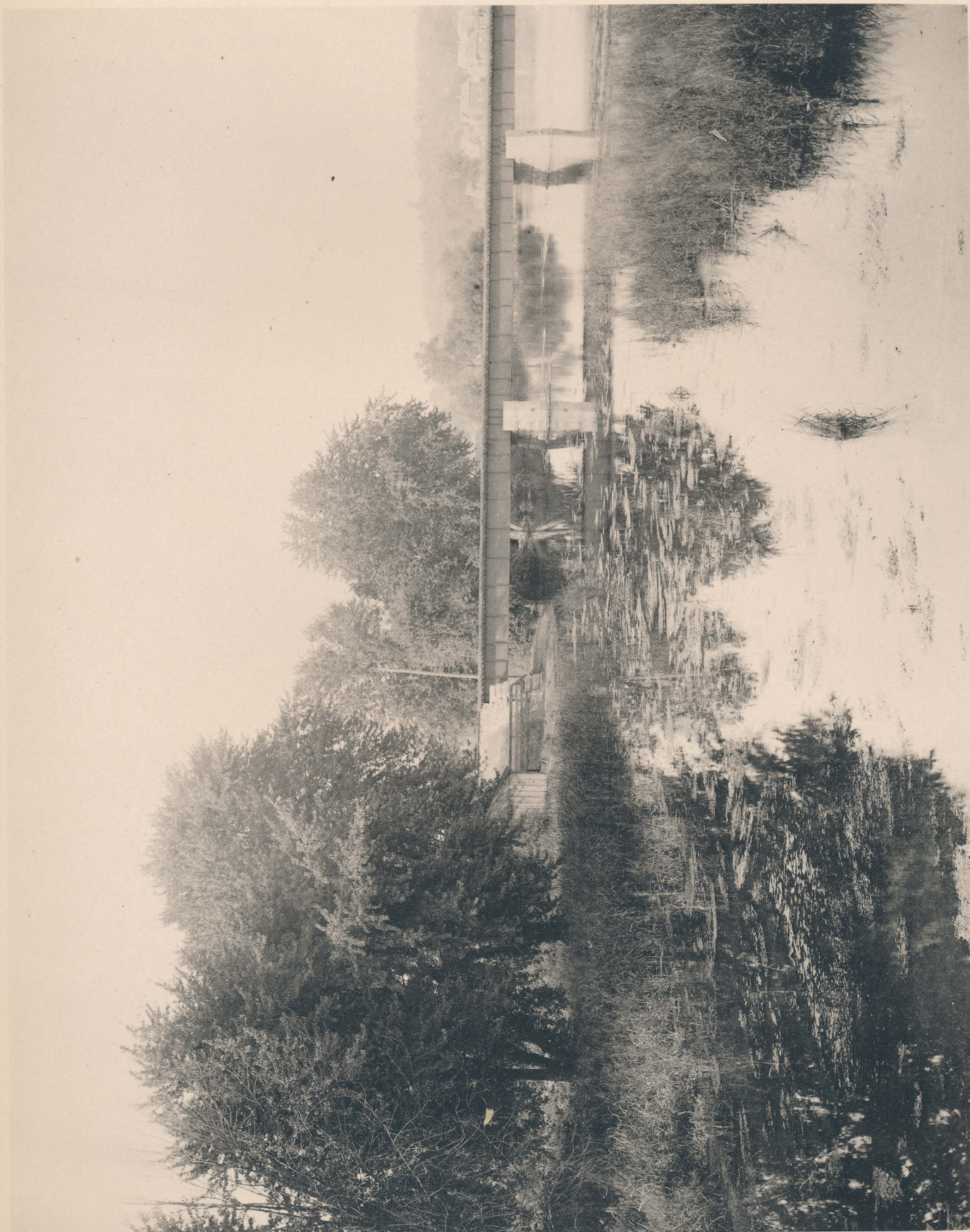
CITY OF KALAMAZOO. 

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SCENE AT THE MOUTH OF PORTAGE CREEK.





KALAMAZOO COUNTY COURT HOUSE.





SCENE IN BRONSON PARK.





SCENE ON KALAMAZOO AVENUE.



ON WOODWARD AVENUE





CORNER OF WEST MAIN STREET AND STUART AVENUE.





KALAMAZOO WATER WORKS STATION.



every tree and shrub stands aflame in a splendid and beautiful light, that this wonderful city is seen in her glory and when she justifies all the seeming extravagance of her eulogists.

But it is, after all, as a home,—as a place to live in and enjoy all the really best things of life,—that Kalamazoo presents her chief attraction. Here, there is nothing left to be desired. Her very situation has in it, besides its natural beauty, the great considerations of convenience, of accessibility to the outside world, and of safety and protection from the elements. On a great railroad highway of the continent, equidistant and only a few hours ride to our own beautiful and historic Detroit on the east, or to the wonderful City of Chicago on the west, she can feel the very pulsations of this mighty throbbing artery of our great civilization. In a level plain, or basin, the solid encircling hills on the south and west are her sure protection from these great winds and vast elemental convulsions which spread death and desolation over our Western borders, while the gentle rise from the river level is still sufficient to preserve her from the sudden floods that inundate and sweep away so many cities and villages to the east and south.

And here, too, are to be enjoyed, in peace and safety, all the blessings of the wise and beneficent institutions of our great government, National and State, civil and religious; all the privileges and conveniences of our immediate municipal laws and regulations, all the advantages of education, the consolations of religion, the elegant refinements of society, and the nearer and deeper satisfactions of comfortable and luxurious homes. What more could man desire or expect on earth? Let then the citizens and dwellers in Kalamazoo rest in the sweet, if sometimes selfish content, of knowing that all these good things are theirs, and that the fame of their beautiful city has gone far and wide throughout all the land.

